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Joint Resolution

Calling for recognition of United Way's one hundredth anniversary.

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Whereas voluntarism, the fundamental fiber which has made America the most giving nation in the world, is becoming even more vital, and is being strongly encouraged and endorsed by the administration and this Congress;

Whereas America's United Way, our country's premiere organized voluntarism entity is celebrating the end of its first century of service to America, and is looking forward to its second century;

Whereas there are more than two thousand two hundred United Way organizations across America helping communities meet critical health and human care needs through an ingenious system of local charitable groups;

Whereas these United Way organizations involve tens of thousands of caring and concerned volunteers from all walks of life in a catalytic process of solving community problems;

Whereas these organizations are responsible for garnering voluntary contributions to support more than thirty-seven thousand charities providing services and programs to aid tens of millions of people throughout our country; and

Whereas to help meet this Nation's urgent health and human care needs United Way will launch a Second Century Initiative, with the goal of doubling its volunteers and financial resources by 1991: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Congress of the United States hereby expresses its gratitude and that of the American people for the outstanding contribution made by the America's United Way over the last century; congratulates the America's United Way on the event of its one hundredth anniversary; applauds and encourages America's United Way to continue its fine work and achieve its goal of doubling its effective resources by 1991.

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